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(*b*) whether representations have been received to lower the rate; if so, from whom;

(*c*) whether the opinion of the Director of Agriculture was obtained in the matter; and

(*d*) whether final orders have been passed thereon and if so, whether a copy of it will be placed on the table?

A.—(*a*) *Pykara system.*—One anna per unit.

Mettur system.—Rates have not yet been settled. It is expected that they will not be higher than those in force in the Pykara system.

(*b*) Yes. From the District Board of Coimbatore and the District Agricultural Association, Coimbatore.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) The question whether it is economically possible to reduce the rates is under the examination of the Chief Engineer for Electricity.

Re-examination of the scheme for the electrification of Kodumudi, Coimbatore district.

* 693 *Q.*—Mr. K. A. NACHIYAPPA GOUNDER: Will the Hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the re-examination of the question of electrification of the town of Kodumudi in Coimbatore district and carrying out another survey, referred to in answer to question No. 396, dated the 1st November 1935, are in progress and when they are likely to be completed; and

(*b*) what the minimum percentage of profit required to be realized under this scheme is?

A.—(*a*) The Chief Engineer for Electricity reports that a fresh study of the load conditions since made has confirmed the previous report that the scheme will not be remunerative and that it is not proposed to proceed with the electrification of the town.

(*b*) Extensions to the Pykara Distribution System are generally undertaken only in cases where the total additional investment does not exceed eight times the estimated average annual revenue.

Wells in North Arcot district suitable for electrical pumping.

* 694 *Q.*—Mrs. A. RUKMANI LAKSHMIPATHI: Will the Hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of wells in each of the taluks of the North Arcot district where electrical pumping can be introduced;

(*b*) which the taluk is which has the largest number of wells per square mile suitable for electrical pumping;

(*c*) in what taluks the Government are laying the transmission lines according to the programme already settled; and